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Hodgson meets with school councils

by Andrew Milne

MPP Chris Hodgson told members of Haliburton County school councils last week that they are very much part of the province's plans.

What those plans are, however, he couldn't really say yet.

Members of councils from across the county met with Hodgson last week at Archie Stouffer Elementary School.

The meeting, requested by the councils, was called to give them an opportunity to ask questions on the implementation of the changes to education proposed by the province in mid-January.

Approximately 25 people were present for the meeting, and came prepared with a list of questions, aimed at resolving key aspects of the amalgamation of school boards and the shifting of education finance to the provincial purview.

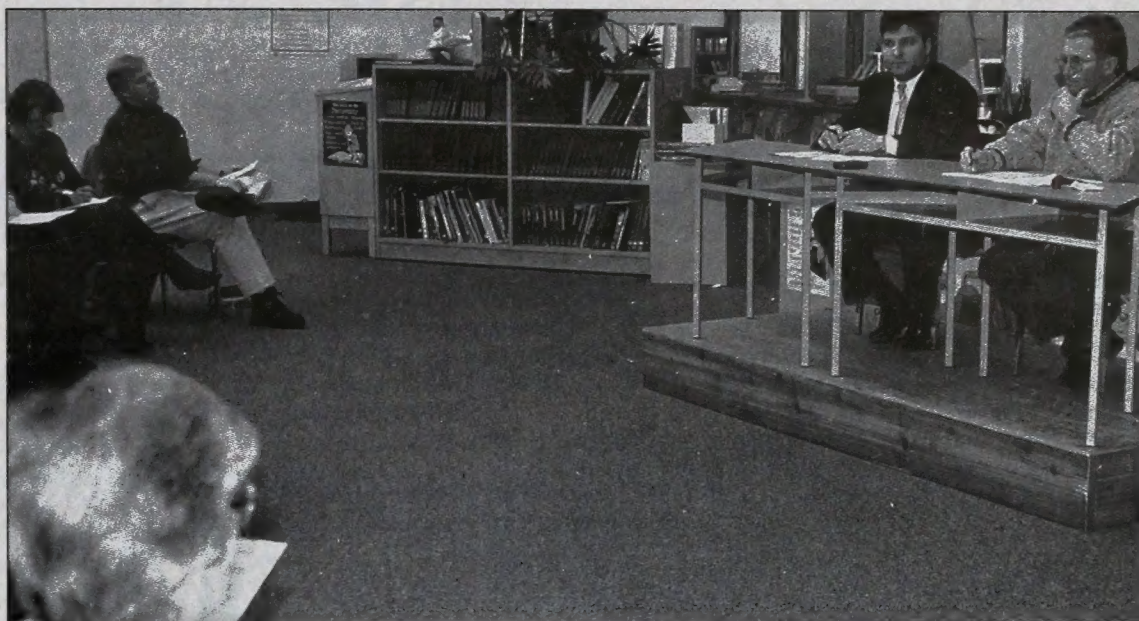
Hodgson, however, had few answers for them. In symphony with his cabinet colleagues' statements of the past few weeks, he responded to most

inquiries that he did not know, that much of the information they were requesting hadn't been determined, but that he would take those questions to the consulting committees, and to Minister of Education John Snobelen.

Hodgson took the opportunity to defend the government against charges that it is moving too fast, and failing to consult, and made a statements emphasizing the government's belief in the need for drastic change.

"I don't have all the answers at this time, but I'll be happy to tell you what I do know. I can tell you that the roles of school councils will be the same or enhanced under Bill 104... Tell me what you think your role should be."

Council members had varying reactions. Some seemed to be feeling some of the frustration the province's transfer partners have been expressing in the atmosphere of confusion that has followed the province's mid-January blitz of restructuring legislation. They didn't seem too happy to be told, again, that most of the an-



Archie Stouffer Elementary School principal Peter Forgrave, right, was the host as Victoria-Haliburton MPP Chris Hodgson answered questions posed by members of the newly appointed school councils from throughout the county.

swers aren't there yet, and that the government couldn't say for sure in some cases when they might be. Hodgson did say much of the clear legal powers of councils should be spelled out in legislation within a few months.

Hodgson also defended the government's decision to announce as much as it has without having more of the specific details of implementation in place. Said Hodgson, "It's a Catch-22. If we'd come out with everything decided, peo-

ple would have said we weren't being democratic... We've consulted, and we will be consulting through the year. We want to hear from you."

Though some councillors were sympathetic, many also expressed reservations about the speed of the government's action — and some concern for the impending amalgamation of the board. Said one woman, "We had a good board. You're taking that away."

Said Jane Johnston, a Haliburton parent who has been in-

volved in education issues since the controversy over the proposed closure of Victoria Street school, "I've had the opportunity to speak to the board a number of times over the past year, and they've listened. I'm not sure I believe I'm still going to have that opportunity in the future."

Square pegs, round holes

School councils occupy an odd position in the restructur-

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Official comment yet to come

Minden councillors cool on Barber report

Anson, Hindon and Minden councillor Daryl Moore is not convinced that the findings of the Barber Report, which claim Haliburton County municipalities can save \$1.25-million, is accurate.

Discounting the \$600,000 the report says can be saved by transferring winter maintenance of county roads to the mu-

nicipalities, Moore says the savings amount to an average of about \$10,000 per municipality.

"He has shown us very little savings," Moore said.

Councillor Sinc Nesbitt agreed. He said that the benchmark that has been set for the winter road maintenance, is based on the unit costs in townships

have the fewest miles of roads to plow.

Moore added that the figures from 1995 were used for the analysis and that the 1996 figures will show savings over the previous year.

"The report is redundant, in my opinion," Moore said.

Moore was also concerned that the report was biased in favour of keeping the 10 municipal and county governments intact. He's not convinced that there would be no savings in going to a one-tier system. That option was not considered when the report was being compiled.

The Minden council will be reviewing the report in detail and a statement regarding Anson, Hindon and Minden's evaluation of the report is expected.

Responding to reeve Jeanne Anthon's statement that what was reported in the papers was accurate, Moore said that it is up to council to issue a statement outlining the municipality's opinion regarding the report.

Moore said it is unfortunate that the report received the publicity it has before the municipalities have had the op-

portunity to analyze the information.

Bank tenders virtually identical

Anson, Hindon and Minden council asked the two banks in the village to submit tenders for the banking services the municipality requires. The municipality was hoping to get the best value for its banking dollars.

Both the Canadian Imperial Bank of Commerce, which has been providing the municipality's banking for many years, and the Toronto Dominion Bank, responded with proposals. After reviewing both tenders, council found the cost of services offered were virtually identical.

Council saw no advantage in switching from the CIBC to the TD, so CIBC will continue to be the municipality's banking service provider.

AH&M supports HCSA bridge proposal

Anson, Hindon and Minden council has offered moral support, if not finan-

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Police issue warning on tainted drugs

The OPP is investigating incidents which may have involved narcotics laced with a dangerous poison.

Details are sketchy all around though the substance is known to have resulted in two people being taken to hospital in Minden. The high school was asked to announce a warning over the public address system, but a spokesman could not say what narcotics were involved.

The OPP says two youths from the Haliburton-Minden area were hospitalized following the use of what the force release called 'an unknown narcotic'. The force says they believe the drug originated in the Haliburton-Minden area.

Police say they are still investigating the incidents, and are waiting for lab results on the substance.

Stanhope council gets overview of policing services

by Jerry Grozelle

Staff sergeant Andy Millar of the Minden-Coboconk Ontario Provincial Police detachment attended the Stanhope council meeting February 12 to update municipal officials about police services. Millar told council he plans to visit every council in Haliburton County at least twice a year to keep them informed about police services and answer any questions that may arise concerning police services.

One question Millar couldn't answer was what the cost of police services will be to Stanhope taxpayers.

"I don't have any more answers than you do at this point," Millar said. "I don't know how costing will be implemented."

Millar pointed out that a new system of recording incidents requiring police response was implemented in June of last year. That system notes where occurrences take place, by municipality. With this information, Millar is able to

determine the number of calls to a specific municipality and the nature of those calls. He said that the total for Stanhope over the six month period from June to December 1996 was between two and three per cent of the total for Haliburton County. He added that the number of incidents in Stanhope during December 1996 was 13, as compared to 16 for January of 1997.

The type of calls includes everything from reported break-ins to traffic accidents and domestic disputes. Millar noted that they would not include such services as canine unit responses, police diver units or TRU team responses. The latter services will be maintained by the province after police services are taken over by the municipalities or county government.

Stanhope deputy-reeve Eleanor Harrison, who was acting chair of the meeting in the absence of vacationing reeve Jock Mavor, asked Millar if the reason for keeping statistics on a township by township basis was to determine costs. He said he assumed that was the case.

Millar speculated that unless Stanhope Township makes other arrangements, the municipality will be invoiced for OPP services.

Councillor Ann Barker, who also dispatches for the Stanhope Fire Department, said she has experienced difficulties getting through on the 800 number when police assistance is required. She said the number is often busy when a call is made. Millar explained that a new number (1-888-310-1122) is in service,

but the old 1-800 number will also be in service for a two-year phase-out period. He noted that the new 888 number is automatically routed to the appropriate location, so if a call originates from Stanhope Township, the closest OPP office will receive the call. Millar admitted that some problems have been experienced with the old 800 lines, but he blames the Bell Canada lines for the problems.

Regarding the number of officers in Haliburton County, Millar said there are three fewer than the 23 for which the area is authorized. He said that the Minden and Coboconk detachments have the same number of officers. Each has seven patrol cars in service.

He noted that although Haliburton County is geographically larger, the work load between Minden and Coboconk is "fairly well the same."

He expects to increase the personnel to optimum levels, but he pointed out that there are other districts which are down as much as 23 per cent in their complement of officers.

"Obviously, they will get officers before we do," Millar said.

There was some concern that statistics may indicate that Stanhope needs less police presence because incident rates are lower than other areas, when in fact, it is entirely possible that the police presence is responsible for the lower incident rates.

Councillor Murray Daniels emphasized that police patrols are very important.

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Chester wins federal PC nod

by Andrew Milne

Lindsay lawyer Lorne Chester will be representing the federal Progressive Conservative party in this riding again in the upcoming election.

It's the second run at the office for Chester, who ran against his chief rival Liberal candidate John O'Reilly in the last election.

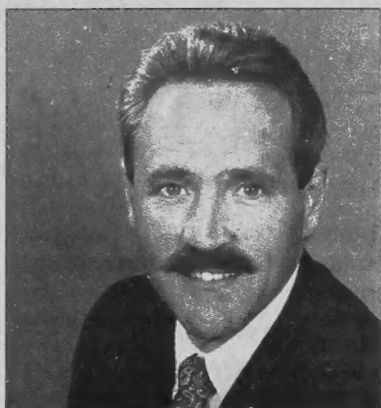
Chester won the nomination at a party meeting Saturday February 8, with 344 votes out of a possible 578. Jim Blair, an Omeme farmer, was second, with 181 votes. Lutterworth Reeve Jim McMahon placed

third, with 53 votes.

Chester said his emphasis will be jobs and criminal justice reform.

McMahon says he feels a late start and an illness somewhat compromised his ability to campaign.

"I caught that flu bug that's been going around, and it made it hard for me to make the rounds in Victoria... Chester did deserve to win it. He worked hard for the nomination, really got the people out, and that's what counts in this game... But it was a valuable experience for me, and I certainly wouldn't rule out trying again in a few years."



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This year the Minden Women's Institute marks its ninetieth anniversary while at the same time the Federated Women's Institutes of Ontario is celebrating its centennial. Tribute will be paid to both anniversaries at a special meeting this Wednesday in Minden.

Jeanne Sears has been a member of the Minden W.I. for almost 50 years, serving in a number of offices including president. Her dedication to the organization has been recognized through the awarding of a life membership in the Minden chapter and the provincial body. Readers of *The Times* will know her as the writer, for many years, of the column now called *Around the County Town*. She has also served as the local W.I. public relations officer, keeping newspapers posted on the activities of the organization.



Jeanne Sears, a member of the Minden Women's Institute for close to 50 years.

The tradition of the Women's Institute is strong in Minden, although the flame may be wavering somewhat. Ten times a year, the 17 members of the local group gather at a member's home. The meeting follows the proscripted format, and generally includes a speaker. These days it is often a member of the Institute who will present the program, bringing to the group the results of her research and investigation into a particular topic. The Institute also welcomes speakers from the community, dealing with topics of interest to the members. Recently, for example, a lawyer addressed the group on the value of having a living will.

This format harkens back to the early days of the Institute movement in Ontario. The province was a different place at the turn of the century. Isolated rural communities were strung along rough country roads. By today's standards communication was slow and tedious.

While agricultural societies addressed the needs and concerns of farmers, rural women, those living in villages and in particular, on farms, were overlooked. The need for an organization which could respond to the concerns of rural women was recognized, and in 1897, at Stoney Creek, the first Women's Institute was formed. Its chief purpose was to provide a forum for the dissemination of what was then called domestic science. As with today's Women's Institute, the forum generally included a presentation on a topic of current interest. But, one of the most attractive features of the organization was, and still is, the opportunity it provided for social contact among rural women. While this aspect is perhaps not

as crucial today, it is still an important aspect.

According to Jeanne Sears, The women's Institute has had a major impact on the lives of Canadians and families around the world. She noted that the organization can take credit for a long string of

improvements to family and community life in this country. Among the many accomplishments are:

- the pasteurization of milk
- the wrapping of bread
- having fluorescent markers placed

on the sides of train cars to improve night visibility at rural crossing

- music in public school curriculum
- TB tests for individuals involved in the food service industry
- sex education in schools
- dental and medical inspections of students in schools
- establishment of rural libraries

The list of provincial and national achievements is lengthy and touches all aspects of the family and community.

In addition to contributing to the campaigns outlined above, The Minden Women's Institute has made its mark on the local community.

"During the two wars, the members of the Minden W.I. were involved in preparing Red Cross care packages for overseas," Jeanne explained. "Our group raised funds for the stone wall at the

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An invitation

As part of the centennial celebration, the Minden Women's Institute has issued a special invitation to all women in the area, past members of the Minden Women's Institute, and former members of other Women's Institutes who have moved to this area, to join them this Wednesday. The special meeting will be held at the Staunworth Terrace common room starting at 2 p.m. The Terrace is located at 44 Parkside Street, Minden.



Marking the fiftieth anniversary of the Minden Women's Institute in 1957, Charter members, Mrs. Jenny Fairfield and Helen Peel cut into the birthday cake.

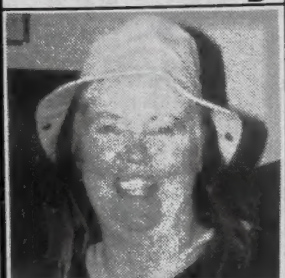
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School council members question MPP

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ing of education. Proposed under the 1995 Royal Commission on Education, and implemented by the NDP, their mandate seemed designed originally to get parents more involved in their children's education.

However, there have been suggestions in recent weeks that the province sees them as, in part, a replacement for school boards' more general representation of local interests. Under the proposed amalgamation of school boards, Ontario will have the largest boards in the country, at an average of around 10,000 students per board, and far fewer trustees per board than previously. The government has also said it intends to make parent councils legally required in all schools, and that the councils will be given more responsibility for curriculum, report cards, and discipline. Critics, however, have questioned how much this can mean with the provincially mandated common curriculum in place, and with province-wide report cards being introduced soon.

The result seems to be leaving some councils feeling like square pegs forced into round holes. Jacqueline Latter, founding chair of the Ontario Parent Council, has described strengthening the councils at the expense of boards 'an outrageous assault on democracy' — based on the fact that the councils are not, nor are they particularly meant to be, elected democratically from the population at large.

Comments and questions from councillors present at last week's meeting seemed, in part, to echo Latter's concerns. Said one woman, "I'm here because I want to make my children's school a better place. I want to help out. I do not want the board's responsibility."

Council members — particularly those from small communities with small schools — also expressed reservations over the way the county is likely to have on a school board with relatively few representatives. Currently, they say, though small communities in the area tend only to have one or a few trustees of their own, there are several such communities, and the common interest helps get their concerns heard. Said one

woman, "I know that Victoria has gotten rid of their small schools. I don't know about Muskoka. But I don't believe that if we've got one trustee speaking for the whole county, as a minority voice, that we're going to be heard."

Hodgson responded that it would be an efficiency issue — that if the community could prove that its school delivers quality education at a reasonable cost, they shouldn't have any trouble.

That didn't seem to satisfy everyone. Said one woman, "It is not just about dollars and cents. Education is people, and you're taking the people out of education."

Council members differed in some areas. One representative spoke with concern over suggestions that councils might have a role in controlling curriculum material, leaving openings for the banning of textbooks at the local level. One of the criticisms of the school council concept has been that the councils can be vulnerable to takeover by special interests — such as the Christian right in the US, which has shown interest in the opportunity for the control of science and sex education and the censorship of certain items of literature. Said the member, "[Snobelen's] comment was that he felt that should be the school council's responsibility — deciding the appropriateness of a textbook in the school. I'm very concerned about that. I don't see myself as wanting to take the role of a censor. I wouldn't feel comfortable in that role... I think that's something that should be left with the ministry of education."

Another member, however, felt that councils might have a role. "I would like," he said, "the councils to have a role in determining the required reading... not so much banning books from being read, but where there are conflicts with values being taught in the home or the values held by the kids or religious conflicts, not to prevent literature from being read, but at least participating in making an alternative list available. Not saying you cannot read this book, but if you are uncomfortable with this book, here's another one."

Book store faces challenge over name, so...

Please remove your lingerie at the door

In news of the weird, a US-based mail-order lingerie company is protesting a local bookstore's efforts to register its trade name.

The US company, UndercoverWear, is challenging Haliburton's Under Cover Books' registration.

Under Cover Books owner Patricia O'Beirns says she finds the state of affairs amusing as much as anything.

Says O'Beirns, "It's been going on for three years now. We never expected anything like this. We just thought, well, we should register the name... I'm not exactly sure what their difficulty is. We do not sell lingerie. They're a very large mail order firm. Huge. We do a very little mail order. I don't believe there's any overlap in the markets... We took the name because it gives an aura of suspense to reading, and because, well, books have covers. It made sense."

She laughs. "The only way you can take it is with a little humour. They sent their lawyers over a while ago, to have us sign an affidavit explaining why we took the name... And one of the things I understand is important here is that we do not sell underwear. So I am saying to everyone, look, let's not have any lingerie in the store while they're doing this. I don't want anyone even wearing any. They'll have to take it off or leave... And you know, we are trying to be reasonable. In the interests of cooperation, I'd be happy not to wear any myself while I'm in the store."

The O'Beirns say they do not know how long the action will take.

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Minden Cemetery." The names of those who died during the wars are encribed in the wall.

She noted that the local group provided instruction for students in domestic sciences such as dressmaking, nutrition, health and home sanitation. Through the years the W.I. has also maintained an emergency cupboard for community members who suffered an crisis, such a fire, helped raise funds for health services in the area and sponsored classes in cooking and craft making. Some of the group's more recent efforts included contributions to area Christmas baskets for the needy, hosting a tea for seniors at Hyland Crest and the planting of trees in the community.

Jeanne points out that over its 90 years the organization has gathered information about the community, which has become a valuable research resource. Individuals tracing their family histories, or wanting to know more about the early days of the community, need only consult the Tweedsmuir books maintained at the Minden Library and museum complex. Books similar to these are maintained by Women's Institutes in most communities across the country.

While the W.I. movement was founded in Ontario, its value was quickly recognized nationally and internationally. Similar organizations sprang up in other

Moral support offered for bridge proposal

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cial support, to the Haliburton County Snowmobile Association in its bid to construct a temporary bridge across the Gull River in Minden to accommodate snowmobile traffic. The HCSA has made an application to the Ontario Federation of Snowmobile Clubs for funding for the project. One of the provisions of the OFSC's application is that approval of the municipal government must be obtained.

Council will make it clear that financial support, beyond its annual donation, is not likely to be available.

provinces and in other countries around the globe. In 1933 the Associated Country Women of the World provided an international link for these groups. Today the organization represents some 8 million members. Counted among those are the Queen and the Queen Mother who are members at Sandringham in rural England.

With 90 years of history behind it, the Minden Women's Institute has reached a crucial point in its history. The group's membership was once as high as 49, but today the roll stands at 17.

"It is difficult to attract younger women to the organization," Jeanne admits. "Today's busy lifestyle, with many wives holding down a job and numerous diversions for the children, it is difficult to generate in-

terest among the younger generation."

She points out the members are working hard to keep the Institute an active and vital force in the community, but admits that the Minden W.I. has slowly evolved into a senior's group. "I'd like to see this group make it to 100," she says, "but I just don't know...."

Looking through the books and papers in front of her, Jeanne comments, "I like this organization and really enjoy it. I feel I have really gotten something out of it."

And as much as the Women's Institute, in Minden and across the country, has met the needs of its members, it has in turn, enriched the communities it served.

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Editorial Early pruning

Members of the Health Services Board are right to be concerned about the recent cuts to its budget announced earlier this month. The province has told the board to cut just over 5% from last year's budget. On the surface, this is not a particularly drastic amount, except for a number of extenuating circumstances.

•The Health Services Board is probably one of the smallest organizations of its kind in the province. As such, there is very little room for cost cutting.

•The board had been told, unofficially of course, to expect a reduction of about 2.5%. In anticipation of that level of funding, the board had been

preparing a budget to accommodate the cut in provincial support. We understand that the group has been successful in its efforts. However, this latest announcement sends the board scrambling back to the books to find new areas to cut.

•Perhaps most ominously, the board had expected a degree of protection from the more severe health care cuts, during its formative years. In particular, this was expected in light of the fact the board is poised to embark on a major construction effort which will see the Minden Hospital moved to a location adjacent to Hyland Crest, the upgrading of that seniors' facility, the upgrading of the Haliburton Hospital

and the addition of 30 new long-term care beds adjacent to that facility. It was anticipated that these capital expenditures would be the basis on which new savings could be found in the delivery of health care services throughout the area. In fact, it was hoped that most of the services offered now could be maintained once the economies of scale were realized by the new facilities.

It is difficult to complain too vociferously about a 5.3% reduction, when health services in other areas are struggling with larger cuts. However, if the ministry officials and the politicians really would like this area to develop a model of rural health care for the province, it must be given the time and financial 'space' to be creative. Otherwise, the experiment will wither even before it has had a chance to exist.

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Differing thoughts on portage location

Editor:

The following letter was sent to the members of the Stanhope Municipal Council:

Dear council members:

It is with great concern that I write this letter. As a property owner and taxpayer in the Township of Stanhope for some 24 years, I have also had a life-long interest in the Ann Johnson Estate. I have personally maintained and groomed both the land and the river by removing broken bottles, garbage and fallen tree limbs from the river and along the shoreline of this property for some 28 years. This property has been in my immediate family since 1946 and I feel it is my duty, at this point, to express my deepest and most profound objection to your proposed hiking trail along the north side of the Buckslides River.

My first and foremost concern is for the safety and privacy of my family and friends. Our cottage is approximately five to ten feet from the river. This area of the Ann Johnson Estate has never been open to the public in so far as I can determine from my research. It would seem to me, from comments made at one of the council meetings this fall, this council is under the impression that there is

a portage at this location along the river's edge. I must express my concern about this statement, as the Ministry of Natural Resources has informed the estate and the council of Stanhope that the old historic portage was set well inland from this location and always has been. I refer to the letter dated May 23, 1996 from Mr. Stan Flemming, supervisor, Ministry of Natural Resources, Minden area. However, there exists today a parcel of land to the north of the Buckslides River, which was deeded to the Crown by Mr. D.B. Johnson and his brother in 1957, for portage purposes. To my knowledge, the area along the river of the subject property has never been used as a portage as it is far too difficult to manage over the rocky shoreline.

Two years ago, this council agreed in principle to purchase an envelope of land around the perimeter of our cottage at this location, as set out by the Ministry of Natural Resources. We, in turn, complied with instructions and had a survey completed, but unfortunately this council did not agree with that survey and we were told to have another survey prepared. Again, as always, and at great expense to us, we complied. The council reviewed the survey and our surveyor was then in-

structed by the clerk to deposit the survey in the Land Registry Office and at that point the description of the land was posted. Then, for some reason, we were informed of a decision by the council that they were now giving consideration to a proposed hiking trail across the subject property. At this point I would appreciate some input from the council as to how and why this proposal for a hiking trail across the subject property came so late in the process of the buy-back.

May I suggest however, if the Council of Stanhope insists on its endeavour to develop a permanent hiking trail in this area, perhaps it should consider developing the trail on the Town Reserve....that being registered plan of subdivision 144, coming from the town lot road along the open township road and then west along the south side of the river. The scenic beauty and terrain of this area is much more inviting and will not interfere with our private living spaces, simply because there are no dwelling houses west of the township road on the south side of the Buckslides River.

E.A. Collingham,
Toronto and Stanhope.

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'Underwhelmed by the diatribe'

Editor:

Having been under-whelmed by Mr. Milne's 'blitz' diatribe, I look forward to some balanced reporting from 'my' local newspaper. However, in your February 10 issue there appears to be another article that purports to be a 'critical' analysis of major changes to social programs. It is certainly not an analysis but is merely critical.

As mentioned, balanced reporting is important in a community paper, and it appears yours has opted for the 'socialism rules and to hell with reality' approach. As a student at a working class university, I had an opportunity to read the student Communist newspaper on a weekly basis and it afforded me a more balanced view than Mr. Milne's last two articles.

As Mr. Milne is young I can forgive his naive embracing of the 'if you are Christian you have to be a socialist' school of thought, however, I had hopes that the editor would provide some balance to his 'New Zealand' view of Canada and 'David Sewell school of ranting.'

I am sure this letter will not dampen Mr. Milne's week, as the federal Socialists have just announced that they will be spending monies, earmarked for reducing our \$600,000,000,000.00 debt, on temporary jobs for young people. And as well, they will be increasing one of the job taxes on those young people and their employers by only 80%. It makes perfectly good socialist sense, don't you think Mr. Milne?

Stu Brandon,
Minden

Mean-spirited and unrealistic attitude

Editor:

I was fascinated to read your paper's editorial comments (The Times Online: February 10) regarding the proposed downloading of services by the Provincial Government. The article said "Haliburton County observers might be forgiven if, through all of this, they felt a certain ambivalence — a feeling that this is the cities' problem — maybe even that the cities might just deserve it. Catch phrases like user pay filtered through the province. Shouldn't the cities pay, if its their problem?"

I am amazed at this attitude! It is mean spirited and unrealistic.

Do you really think that everyone living on welfare in Toronto, Ottawa, London, Oshawa, etc. originates from these cities? There is already strong talk within these

cities of length of residency requirements for welfare, housing, child care, etc. In the last month I have counselled 3 families, all from the Dorset region, all on welfare, now living in Thornhill. Does Dorset really have the money to support this total of 7 adults (granny is part of the mix) and 5 children (another one on the way!)? And these are just 3 families that I know about - how many more are there?? - I am sorry but the feeling in Toronto and the GTA is that "if they came from towns and can't find work - send them back - its their problem". If the cities collapse under the weight of this downloading - you will see neighbours returning in droves - with a one way ticket, home.

R. Downey
Aurora, Ontario

Full support for tobacco legislation

I am pleased to announce my support for Bill C-71, the Tobacco Act.

I have total support for the Bill in its current form. C-71 is currently being reviewed in committee and is being heavily lobbied by the tobacco industry and non-smoking organizations.

This bill is about health! It is intended to

Ottawa report

by John O'Reilly, MP

prevent yet another generation of disease and suffering and the associated costs to Canada's Health care system. This bill does not affect current smokers, it will help our youth stay non-smokers and healthy. Tobacco use puts the lives of millions of Canadians at risk every day, and those who are most vulnerable are young people.

This legislation will:

- further limit youth access to tobacco products
- restrict the promotion of tobacco products
- increase health information on tobacco packages
- establish powers to regulate tobacco products

Highlights of the proposed legislation are:

- restrictions on tobacco product advertising
- a ban on sale of cigarettes through vending machines

(more on page 8)

Cross my heart and hope to....

Ninety percent of politicians are giving the other ten percent a bad name.

Henry Kissinger.

Hey, if you can't take people's money and then screw 'em, you've got no business being in the business.

San Francisco mayor Willie Brown.

I've figured out why politicians almost never have beards. All that chin fur would make it too hard to tell bare-faced lies. Not that we Canucks have any cause to turn up our noses at American politicians. We turn out a pretty hardy breed of truth stretchers on this side of the border too.

Just recently, Glen Clark issued a public apology for, ahh, misleading the public prior to his election as premier of British Columbia last year. Clark and his Knee Dippers won the election largely on the strength of the \$116 million surplus they said they had in the government coffers.

But OOPS—after the votes were counted it turned out that the people of B.C. were faced with a \$369 million deficit instead.

"The numbers kept changing" explained Premier Clark.

Yeah, well...creative bookkeeping can do that, Glen.

Then there's the spectacle of the Prime Minister of Canada apologizing for the "misunderstanding" over the GST. Just because a guy promises that if elected he'll get rid of a tax, doesn't mean that, if elected, he'll, err, get rid of a tax.

The tragedy here is not that our politicians lie to us—hell, most of them start out as lawyers—what do you expect? The tragedy is, we keep falling for it. Election after election, party after party, personality after personality. They promise the moon, we give them our votes and then...

Well, they give us the moon all right, but not the one we expected.

And it doesn't seem to do them any lasting damage. There are no posses of outraged citizens burning crosses on Glen Clark's front lawn. If he manages to keep his Hush Puppies out of his mouth for the next few months, Chretien figures to get re-elected as Prime Minister.

Politicians can lie and prosper. Most of us can't.

Like, for instance, the two university students facing their big final in Chemis-

try. They weren't too worried. They'd both done well in the quizzes and the midterms and the labs.

In fact, they were so confident that they decided to 'party down' the weekend before the Chemistry final, instead of studying.

They partied big and hard—so big and hard that they were too hungover to even write their exam, much less study for it.

They decided a lie was in order. They called their Chemistry prof and explained that they'd been out of town for the weekend, had a flat tire, didn't have a spare and couldn't get anybody to help them until it was too late.

The professor listened to their story, agreed they'd had some tough luck and could write the exam the following day.

The two students were ecstatic. They studied all night and met the professor the following morning. The professor handed them each a copy of the two page examination and ushered them into separate rooms.

The first page was a snap. A simple problem worth five percent of their final marks that they each solved in no time at all.

Then they turned to page two.

In it's entirety, the question read: (95 percent) Which tire?

Arthur Black Etcetera

New tax system for municipalities

Politicians at Queen's Park have spent years talking--and talking--about property tax reform.

On January 16, our government introduced the Fair Municipal Finance Act, that will establish a fair, clear, consistent and accountable property tax system in Ontario. It will also give local governments more autonomy to make decisions affecting their communities.

One of the key components of the Fair Municipal Finance Act is the new Ontario Fair Assessment System, which will bring consistency to property assessment across the province. Assessments will be updated to current property values, and homeowners with similar property values within a municipality will pay similar taxes.

Ontario's system of assessment and property tax is wildly out of date. Past governments failed to take up the challenge of fixing this problem and because they didn't act, Ontario is presently a patchwork of property values, some dating as far back as 1940.

As a result, thousands of Ontario homeowners and businesses have been paying more property tax than they should, while others have been paying less than their fair share. The inequity in the property tax system has also made it difficult for the small business community to compete.

Our government plans to restore fairness to the system. Under the Ontario Fair Assessment System, we plan to end this inconsistency by establishing a system based on the property values as of June 30, 1996. Once fully implemented in 2005, this property value will be based on a three year

rolling average. As recommended by the Who Does What Panel, tax assessments will be done at the local level starting January 1, 1998.

Municipalities can choose to phase in the impact of assessment reforms over eight years to ensure smooth implementation. The province

is also protecting seniors and the disabled by giving local governments the flexibility to defer their taxes.

The new legislation also includes changes to other parts of Ontario's property tax system. It eliminates the unfair and discriminatory Business Occupancy Tax. This tax was designed nearly a century ago and was based on classifications that are outdated and no longer make sense. The tax is impossible for taxpayers to understand and it is expensive to administer. Businesses have long been asking for the elimination of this arbitrary and outdated tax.

Also, the province is cutting taxes on eligible farmland and managed forest land by replacing the cumbersome bureaucratic rebate system with a new, low property tax rate. The lower property tax rate for farmers will ensure they will no longer have to beg the Ontario government for a rebate each year. These measures provide a permanent incentive to landowners to conserve and manage their environmentally sensitive lands for the long-term.

In addition, the government intends to establish a \$1 billion Community Re-Investment Fund to assist municipalities to off-set losses incurred as a result of changes in property value assessment. Municipalities will be given the power to protect the unique character of their communities by providing lower tax rates on lower-valued commercial properties such as a small retail stores and neighbourhood shopping districts.

Queen's Park Report

by Chris Hodgson, MPP



ROYALTY COMES TO HALIBURTON: The Duke is here, the Duke of Dysart Restaurant that is. Opened earlier this year in the former General Lee's location, next to the Jug City store in Haliburton, the Duke of Dysart offers a varied menu including steaks, fast lunch specials, a popular fish and chips plate and the General's chicken. Owners Bill and Jane Ryan and bar manager Shel Whitteker, left, are ready to welcome patrons to the well-appointed eatery. The restaurant is open seven days a week.

MP backing tobacco legislation

(from page 7)

- a ban on mail-order distribution of cigarettes
- restrictions on the tobacco industry's promotional practises, including sponsorship promotion.

Seven million Canadians are currently victims of tobacco addiction. One in three Canadians smoke, and half of them will ultimately die prematurely of tobacco-related disease. Tobacco use causes the deaths of more than 40,000 Canadians each year--three times the number who die from car accidents, suicides, drug abuse, murder and AIDS combined.

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Sports

Bowl for Kids Sake

Big Brothers and Big Sisters Bowl for Kids Sake will be held at County Bowling Centre March 9. Sign up and support this worthy cause.

Redmen down to one-game showdown with Kenner

by Jerry Grozelle

Heart, says Haliburton Highlands Secondary School Redmen hockey coach Ron Yake, is what it will take to win the Kawartha High School Hockey League championship. The teams in the league are fairly evenly matched as far as talent and skill, but the deciding factor will be the heart to go for it.

The Redmen learned that the hard way in the first game of the playoffs on February 12, against the Kenner Rams of Peterborough. The Rams came to Haliburton ready to play and determined to win. They upset the Redmen 3-1 to take a 1-0 lead in the best-of-three series.

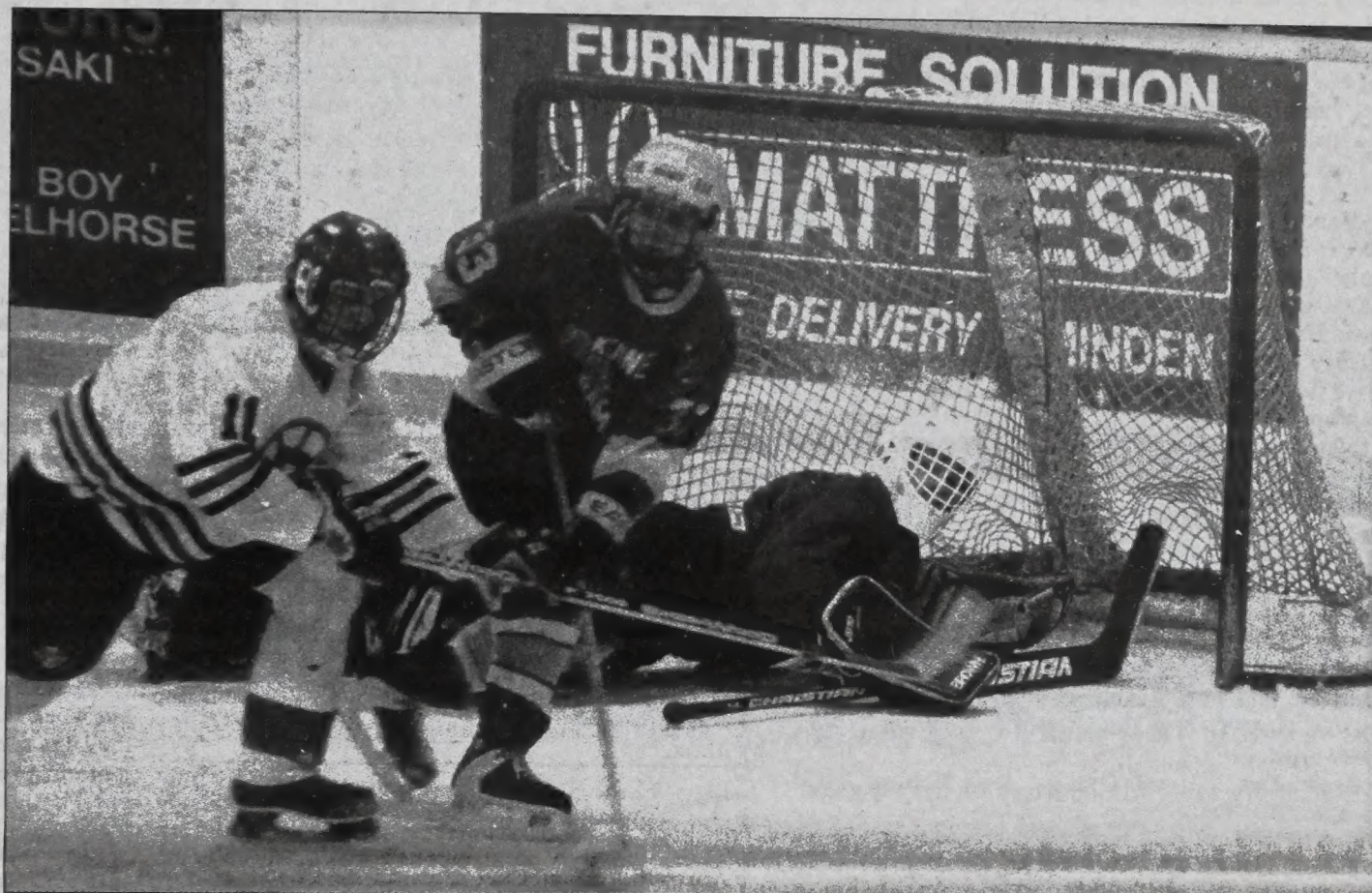
"The guys weren't ready to play," Yake said. "They were late getting ready for the game. They weren't mentally prepared. Kenner was."

Yake said that the Redmen were really down after the opening loss on home ice. The rude awakening couldn't have come at a better time for the Haliburton team. Such a loss against a team such as the Fenelon Falls Falcons, St. Peter's Saints of Crestwood Mustangs could have put the Redmen in a hole they might not have been able to claw their way out of.

But the Redmen did claw their way back onto even terms, rebounding the following day in Peterborough to defeat the Rams by a 6-1 margin. Kenner was very much in the game until about two-thirds of the way into the second period, when Haliburton pulled in front 3-1.

Yake said his players went to Peterborough with heart and determination.

"They decided to play like they can," he said.



CHECKED: Haliburton's lone marksman of the game, Ryan Anderson (11) is checked by Kenner Rams defenceman Tyler Hunter (33) as Kenner goalie Wes Simmons sprawls in the crease. The Rams upset the Redmen 3-1 in this game in Haliburton, but the Redmen evened the series the next day in Peterborough with a 6-1 victory.

Wednesday's game in Haliburton saw the Rams score the only goal of the first period.

Ryan Anderson scored the equalizer for the Redmen 33 seconds into the second frame. The game remained tied for

just over 10 minutes, when Kenner went ahead 2-1. Less than three minutes later, the Rams added another goal to the visitors' side of the scoreboard. That proved to be the last goal of the game.

Yake gave credit to Haliburton goaltender Ashley Walker.

"He made a lot of good saves to keep us in the game," Yake said.

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Senior curlers enjoy Fun Day

by Dave McAdam

Minden's senior curlers took to the ice on Sunday, February 9, for another day of fun curling up at the club. This, of course, was the Fun Day for the second half of the curling schedule for 1996-1997 season and proved to be full of light hearted fellowship, sportsmanship and fun for the participants. Two or three skips may have been strangled by the helium filled balloons secured by long ribbons to their rocks.

When the two draws were concluded, the winners proved to be the following:

Draw One

First place - Skip Jim Burton, vice Marg Waddell, second Dan Abel and lead Eric Stearns.

Second Place - Skip Joan Davies, vice Jean Hewitt, second Herb Taylor, lead Elizabeth Wright.

Third Place - Skip Tom Hurtt, vice Gladys Wruth, second Carla Fountain, lead Pat Scott.

Draw Two:

First Place - Skip Ebby Bishop, vice Gord Arthur, second John Warren, lead Roy McDonald.

Second Place - Skip Bill Milford, vice Bob Hurtle, second Florence Stanley, lead Nancy Moore.

Third Place - Skip Ted Wilkes, vice Ralph Newton, second Billie Shuyler, lead Laura Carnegie.

Other highlights

The Cross Ice single rock closest in the house produced two lucky team winners:

Draw One - George Hewitt, Bill Juby, Winn Taylor, Aileen Blears.

Draw Two - Tony Dymott, Ray Nobles, Todd Grainger, Bill Trapp.

A delicious pot luck supper was served to the teams who were joined by a number of the club's social members. Supper was followed by the presentation of beautiful looking beef steaks to the winning teams and chickens to the cross ice winning teams.

Accolades went to Doreen Spencley and her kitchen crew, Frank Codlin for his score keeping and an extra thank you was extended to Fun Day coordinator Todd Grainger who, together with his better half Gail, brought all the arrangements together to make a great day for all.



Business Bonspiel

The 'Fountain' of Youth team captured top honours and The Times trophy in the annual business bonspiel held February 1 at the Minden Curling Club. Times publisher Jack Brezina, left and bonspiel organizer Doug Brown, congratulated the winning entry. The curlers included, from the left, George Hewitt, second, Jean Hewitt vice, Carla Fountain lead and Keith Fountain skip. A complete field of 24 teams entered the popular one day 'spiel and enjoyed two games and a hearty pot luck supper. (photo by Russ Duhaime)

Nordic Notes

by Blake Paton

A record number of Haliburton Highlands Secondary School skiers will be making the trip to North Bay to attend the provincial secondary school (OFSSA) championships this year due to strong performances at the Central Ontario division championships at Glebe Park on February 12. Congratulations to all those who will make the trip!

Local legend-in-the-making Marcel Crete suffered a broken leg in an accident while training on the Jim Beef trail recently. Marcel was fresh from winning his age category at the Algonquin Loppet, so we all wish him a speedy recovery from his unfortunate injury.

Take precautions

Speaking of which, injuries are always unwanted, but when we have as much trail as we do in this region they can sometimes be extremely serious due to the remote nature of some trails or backcountry areas. Perhaps it should be repeated that taking the trouble to leave word about location and expected length of a ski workout could potentially save a life. Your own life, that is.

This is not to say that there is much danger in cross-country skiing. Most skiers will never suffer a serious injury. In fact, cross-country skiers rarely suffer from chronic sport-related injuries when compared to participants in other sports. Still, a gradual warm-up, a good post-workout stretching routine and lots of saunas will prevent many injuries. Taking the occasional day off when you're feeling low might also help prevent illness associated with the depleted batteries of mid-season.

Wanakita event set for February 23

Haliburton Ski Club members are reminded of YMCA Camp Wanakita's winter fun day on February 23. Watch for details in this paper, and do your best to attend because this event has always provided lots of fun for all.

In the meantime, remember to ski as much as you can, especially since this month has brought us some consistently wonderful ski conditions. Don't worry about skiing fast, though because it doesn't matter how fast you go, it's how many fast people you know that counts.

His-Hers Tournament winners

The annual "His-Hers" Bowling Tournament was held on Sunday, February 9 at the County Bowling Centre. The top six pairs (pins-over-average) advance to the His-Hers Zone Round, which will be held May 11.

The top teams were: 1) Doug Reinwald and Marlene Bellar; 2) Bob VanKoughnet and Joanne Brown; 3) Gord Darby and Cathy Snell; 4) Lloyd Brown and Lynn Kusmenko; 5) Gerry Newton and Eleanor Lymer; and 6) Alex Little and Tanya McKnight.

*More bowling results
on page 15*



LOCAL COMPETITORS: The Minden Skating Club was well represented at the 10th annual Meet To Skate competition in Minden. Competitors from Minden included, front row (l to r): Lindsay Harpley, Jenna Pilon, Jasmine Wilson, Kerri Matysek and Cindy Malloy. Middle row (l to r): Vanessa Davis, Jason Lyddiatt, Stephanie Foster, Kourtney Matysek, Terry-Lynn Lumley and Katlyn Hewson. Back row (l to r): Tanya Peacock, Krista Matysek, Cheryl Ripley, Janene Garbutt, Keegan Mackenzie and Nicole Perreault. Absent: Erin Turner, Laurie Turner and Jennifer Orpana.

Rockbuster, Straw & Stone bonspiels coming up

Minden Curling News

by Sandy Cole

Alf Trotter 13, Ted Wilkes 6

Scores from the Minden Curling Club for the week of February 3 to 7.

Monday Night Ladies League

Pat Woodcroft 9, Barb Walford-Davis 6
Mary-Jane Irwin 7, Cheryl Murdoch ?
Nancy Garbutt 14, Dana Kinsman 3

Tuesday Night Mens League

Gord Wood 8, Paul Prentice 0
Ross Petch 8, Jim Garbutt 6
Bob Pollard 7, Don Blakey 5
Dwight Thomas 7, Russ Duhaime 6
Bill Roodenburg 6, Ross Wray 5

Thursday Night Mixed League

Dan Garbutt 10, Keith Fountain 1
Cheryl Murdoch 7, Bob Pollard 7
Gord Wood 7, Brian Cross 4

Friday Night Mixed League

Bill Roodenburg 10, Mark Lund 3
Don Blakey 6, Barb Walford-Davis 3
Paul Prentice 5, Jim Garbutt 5
Zelda Cooper 9, Cheryl Murdoch 6

Coming Events

Spectators should get a good seat on February 21-23 to see some great action at the "Rockbuster" mens bonspiel.

The annual "Straw and Stone" mixed bonspiel is on March 7 and 8. This is an in club event consisting of three eight-end games, followed by a pot luck supper. There is optional dress and prizes for the best costumes. To enter this event sign up on the schedule at the club. This sounds like a "must see" curling weekend. Hope to see many participants and spectators there.



Haliburton evens series

(from page 9)

Kenner drew first blood again in the second game, scoring midway through the first period.

Matt Galbraith got that one back with 1:14 left in the frame. Dennis Woods and Jeff Wray assisted. A minute and one second later, with 13 seconds showing on the clock, Mark Hughes beat Rams goalie Wes Simmons for a 2-1 Haliburton lead. Matt Burk and Andrew McKelvey set that goal up.

Greg Luck netted the third goal for the Redmen with 4:41 remaining in the middle period, from Chris Moynes and Darren Mills. Two and a half minutes later, Nick Kulas gave Haliburton a three-goal cushion and the Redmen took a 4-1 advantage into the third. McKelvey and Galbraith assisted.

McKelvey added another goal to the Haliburton tally at the 3:23 mark of the third, converting a set-up from Mills. Then, midway through the period,

Woods scored an unassisted goal and the Redmen chalked up a 6-1 victory.

Yake said that Redmen winger Darren Mills "played the best game he's ever had." He picked up a pair of assists.

Yake said that every line contributed to the win. He pointed out that six different players scored the six goals.

"The defence played extremely well," Yake said. "They played the body and didn't worry about the puck, like they did in the first game. The team also forechecked with intensity. Those are the two big things they didn't do on Wednesday."

Yake said that all three lines will have to continue to play up to their potential if they hope to be league champions this season.

"We don't have any stand-outs who can go out and win a game by themselves," he said.

The deciding game of the series is slated for tonight (Monday, February 17) in Haliburton, starting at 7 p.m.

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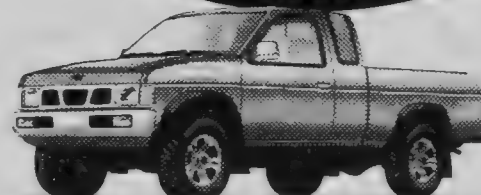
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Atoms give up opener to Newcastle

by Jerry Grozelle

Fighting off an early 1-0 deficit against the visiting Newcastle team February 13, the Minden OMHA atom Monarchs scored two quick goals to take over the lead with two and a half minutes left in the first period.

Kolt Smith scored the equalizer, from Mark Fisher at 6:43 of the 10-minute first period. A minute and 49 seconds later, Kevin Walker fed a pass across the Newcastle goal mouth to Evan Kernohan, who one-timed it past the visitors' netminder for the go-ahead goal.

Minden clung to that one-goal lead until the middle of the third period. During a scramble behind the Minden net, Monarchs' defenceman Lance Aggett hit an opposing player from behind, drawing a five minute major and a match penalty. The Newcastle player was taken by ambulance to the Minden Hospital, where he was treated and released.

After a delay of about 20 minutes, the game resumed, with the Monarchs playing five minutes of the last 5:10 shorthanded. The Newcastle players seemed determined to avenge their fallen comrade, scoring three times with the man advantage, to grab a 4-2 win.

Minden's power play was less effective. The Monarchs played 10 minutes with the man advantage without adding to their score. Two of the Newcastle penalties were bench minors against the coaching staff.

The loss puts the Monarchs down one game to none in the best-of-five playoff series.



CLOSE CALL: Minden OMHA atom centre Kolt Smith tries to jam the puck past the Newcastle goalie during Thursday's playoff game in Minden. The netminder didn't give Smith any room to manoeuvre on this opportunity. The visitors scored three power play goals in the last five minutes to grab a 4-2 win.



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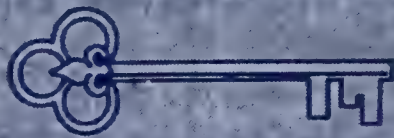
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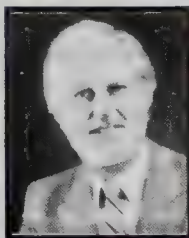
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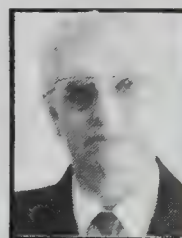


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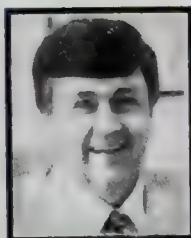
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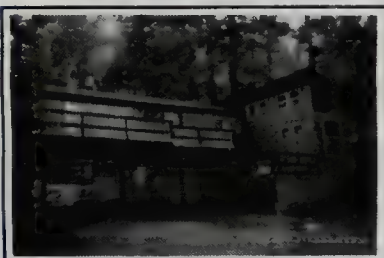
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February 19: Special meeting of the Minden Women's Institute to mark the local group's ninetieth anniversary and the Ontario Federation's one hundredth. All interested ladies, past members of the Minden W.I. and members of other branches of the Institute who have retired to the county, are invited. In the common room at Staunworth Terrace, 44 Parkside St., next to the Minden Arena. 2 p.m.

February 20: Monthly meeting of the Haliburton Highlands Field Naturalists at the Haliburton Museum. Murray Charlton will speak on preserving lake resources. 7:30 p.m.

February 20: 50 Plus Club dinner dance at the Haliburton Legion. You don't have to be a Legion member. Please call by February 17 to confirm, 286-3247. Members \$5; non-members \$7. 4:30 p.m.

February 21, 22 & 23: Rockbuster Men's Bonspiel at the Minden Curling Club. For details call Dwight Thomas at 286-3311 or Stan Dutka at 489-2005.

February 22: West Guilford Snow Shuffle Winter Carnival. Dance tickets available at West Guilford Shopping Centre, Rip's Sleepy Hollow, Country Value Dollar Store, West Guilford Shell Station.

February 22: J.D. Hodgson Elementary School School Council Rummage Sale, in the basement of Haliburton United Church, 9 a.m. to 1 p.m.

February 22 & 23: Bowl-a-thon for the Haliburton Highlands Learning Centre (literacy training). Saturday 9:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m. at Carnarvon Lanes and Sunday 4-7 p.m. at the County Bowling Centre, Minden. Pledge sheets available at both bowling alleys or the Learning Centre, Haliburton. Call 457-3430 for more information.

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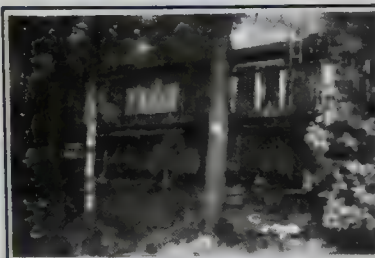
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Five hat tricks highlight February 10 MMHA action

by Jerry Grozelle

The Minden Men's Hockey Association recorded a pair of wins by a single goal each on February 10.

KDD 10, Westside 9

Kountry Double D had to score two late goals to get by Westside Jug City in the first of two league games a week ago.

Westside doubled KDD 6-3 in the first period but by the end of the second frame, the score was tied at 7-7. KDD went ahead 8-7 in the third, but Westside came back with two in a row to regain the lead. But the last two goals of the game won it for KDD.

Greg Hurre, Scott Hamilton and Craig Crowe each scored a hat trick for the winning team. Bob VanDelst added the single maker. Hamilton picked up five assists to go with his three goals. Hurre and Crowe each had a pair of helpers. Paul Walker notched two helpers and VanDelst had one.

Gord Wood led the Westside scoring with a hat trick and three assists. Sheldon Stevenson and Kent Taylor netted two goals apiece and single markers were scored by Ben Manuge and Jamie Dollo. Dollo also picked up four assists. Taylor, Doug Schell, Craig Phillips and John Ballantyne had one assist each.

Hartwick 6, Home 5

The second game of the night started off as a see-saw battle as well. Home Hardware was in front twice in the first period, but Hartwick tied it up each time. After one period, the score was deadlocked at 2-2.

Hartwick went on the offensive in the second frame, pulling in front by a 5-2 count before alternating goals with Home Hardware late in the period. Going into the third, Hartwick led 6-4.

Home Hardware got the lone goal of the third, but it wasn't enough as Hartwick held on for the 6-5 win.

Andrew Burk paced the Hartwick attack with a hat trick. Tom Bagshaw added a pair of goals and three assists to the winning tally. Jeff Howe notched one goal and one helper. Glenn Hall and Jason Stamp helped the Hartwick cause with three assists apiece. Wyatt Nesbitt and Jarrett Campbell notched one assist each.

Mike Keaney picked up two of the Home Hardware replies and assisted on one. Single goals went to Peter Allore, Tom Haley and Richard Cormier. Derrick Moore and Cormier assisted on two each and Clark Craig had one helper.

Toye earns shutout

Michael Toye had to work very hard to earn a shutout for the Minden Mighty C tyke Monarchs hockey team February 6 against a tough Mariposa 1 squad. Although Mariposa dominated much of the game, Toye was unbeatable between the Minden pipes.

The game remained scoreless until the third period when Edward Cyr finally broke the double goose egg on the scoreboard. He made good on a breakaway opportunity.

Tanner Graham added an insurance goal, from Stephen Roome later in the third and the Monarchs had a 2-0 win.



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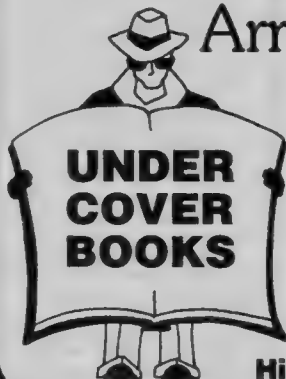
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After taking a 2-0 lead in the best-of-five playoff series against Ops, the Minden OMHA novice Monarchs have been forced into a fifth and deciding game. Ops won game three of the series on home ice by a 4-0 score and came back to Minden February 11, winning a hard-fought battle by a 1-0 margin. The deciding game is tonight (Monday, February 17) at the Ops arena, starting at 7 p.m. Minden goaltender Nicki Wallace stretches to scoop the puck in with his stick and smothers it with his glove during last Tuesday's game in Minden. Monarchs' coach Jerry Campbell said he is proud of his team's effort in spite of Tuesday's loss.

Hodgson acts on F&W Advisory Board suggestion

Natural Resources Minister Chris Hodgson announced that he is declaring the week of August 4, 'Take a Kid Fishing Week'.

In making the announcement, Mr. Hodgson said the week is being established to introduce children to the benefits of sport fishing.

"Some of my fondest memories as a child come from the many hours I spent

fishing a favorite lake or quiet stream in central Ontario," said Hodgson. "I want to do what I can as Minister of Natural Resources to see that children don't miss out on all the fun of learning to fish."

Take a Kid Fishing Week was a recommendation to the Minister from the Fish and Wildlife Advisory Board. Hodgson appointed the board last year

to advise him on how revenues from angling and hunting should be reinvested in fish and wildlife conservation in Ontario. Board Chair Phil Morlock of Whitney, Ontario said he and the other board members want to encourage young people to experience sport fishing at an early age.

"Nothing can compare with the joy of catching that first fish," said Morlock.

Hodgson said the future health of Ontario's fishery depends partly on teaching young people proper conservation techniques.

"Children tend to have a keen interest in the environment in general," said Hodgson. "If we teach them how to be good stewards of the fishery now, they can become important stakeholders in its future."

Take a Kid Fishing Week, which will become an annual event, will be carried out in co-operation with the Canadian National Sportfishing Foundation (CNSF), a trade association of the recreational fishing industry.

Take a Kid Fishing Week complements the existing Ontario Family Fishing Weekend held in early July.

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Thursday Night Mixed League (February 6)

High average: Joan Rivard 170; Walt Stegmaier 206
High single: Joan Rivard 243; Bryan Rivard 267
High single (handicap): Joan Rivard 289; Bryan Rivard 300
High triple: Joan Rivard 618; Bryan Rivard 632
High triple (handicap): Joan Rivard 756; Bryan Rivard 728

Legion 636 Mixed League (February 10)

High average: Georgina Parkes 162; Fred Knight 200
High single: Leitha Kuchalema 203; Frank Sargent 209
High single (handicap): Estella Burch 265; Frank Sargent 280
High triple: Elli Langpohl 515; Jim Hindle 571
High triple (handicap): Elli Langpohl 701; Ed Deeks 688

Monday Evening Mixed League (February 10)

High average: Marlene Robinson 207; Scott Moore 224
High single: Marlene Robinson 232; Daryl Moore 381
High single (handicap): Michelle Moore 267; Daryl Moore 400
High triple: Marlene Robinson 632; Daryl Moore 789
High triple (handicap): Michelle Moore 685; Daryl Moore 846

Tuesday Afternoon Seniors League (February 11)

High average: Eleanor Young 178; Walter Stegmaier 204
High single: Shirley Brandon 225;

Walter Stegmaier 251
High single (handicap): Pat Stegmaier 238; Walter Stegmaier 267
High triple: Pat Stegmaier 478; Bob Bullen 619
High triple (handicap): Pat Stegmaier 658; Bob Bullen 730

Tuesday Night Mixed League (February 11)

High average: Cathy Snell 202; Scott Moore 219
High single: Gail Goldenberg 284; Scott Moore 248
High single (handicap): Gail Goldenberg 328; Doug Day 283
High triple: Gail Goldenberg 680; Scott Moore 663
High triple (handicap): Gail Goldenberg 812; Gord Darby 734

Thursday Afternoon Seniors League (February 13)

High average: Edith Alzner 172; Ray Lymer 193;
High single: Eleanor Lymer 212; Fred Knight
High single (handicap): Eleanor Lymer 261; Fred Knight 280
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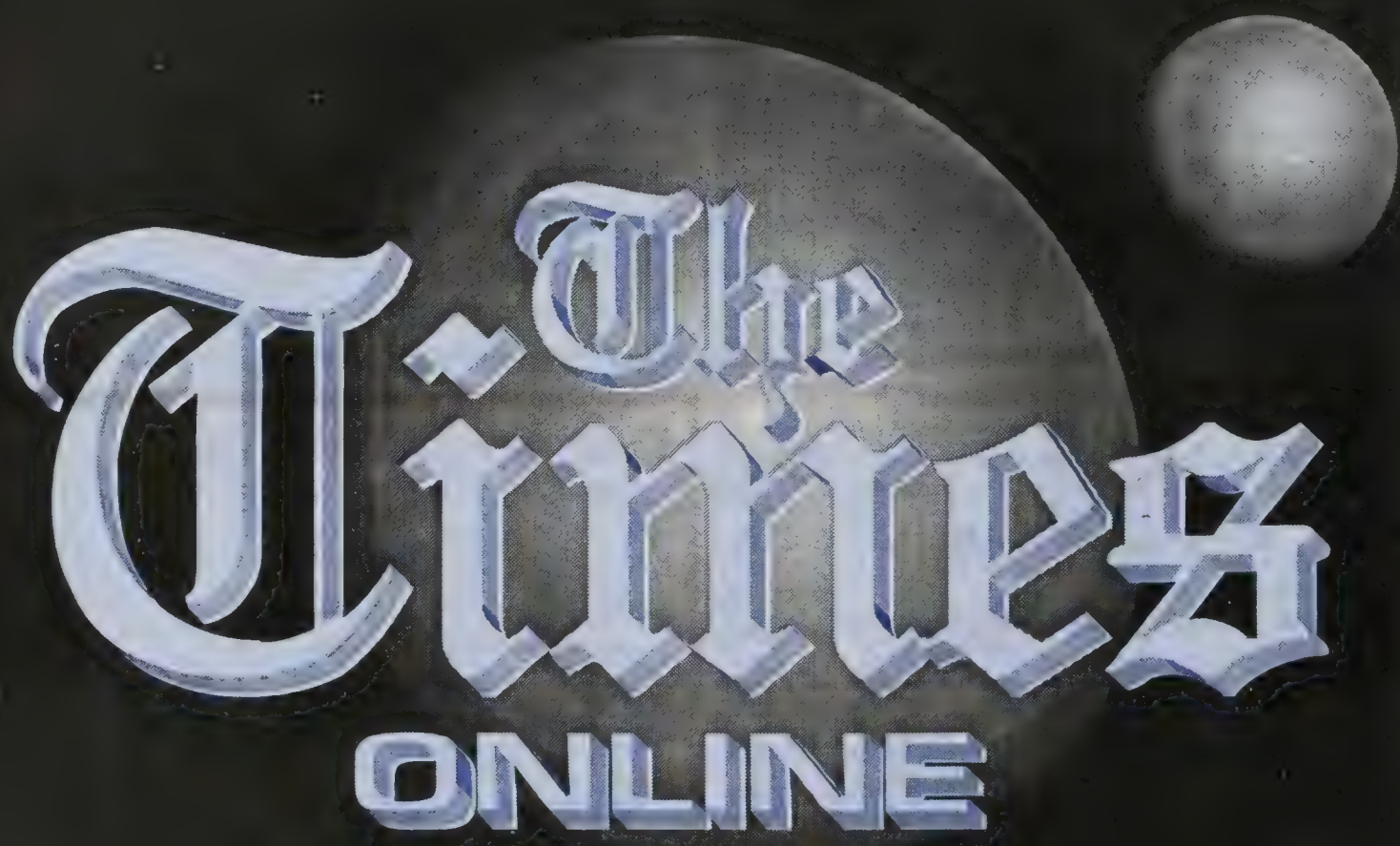


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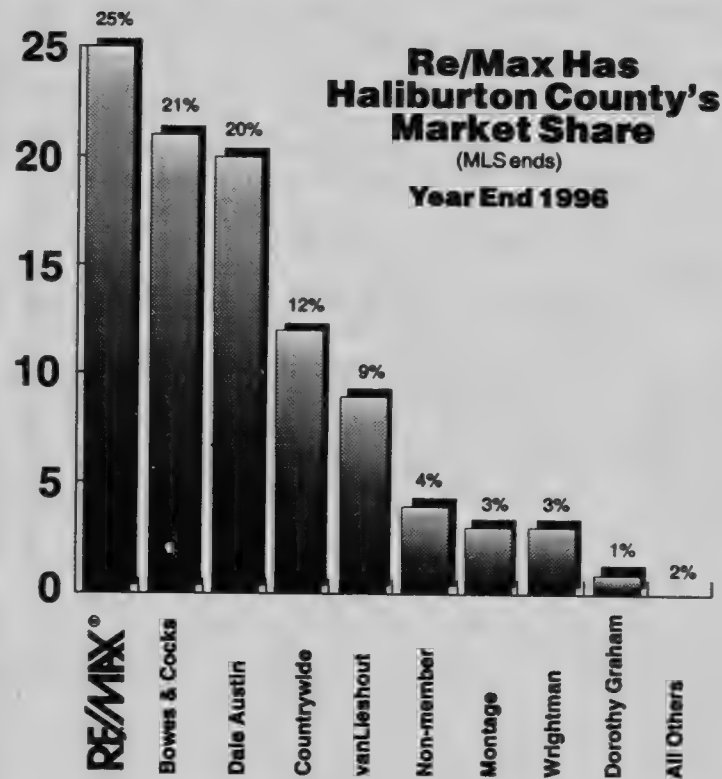
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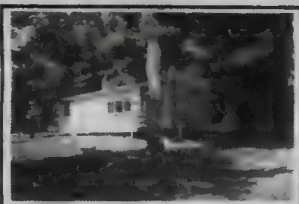
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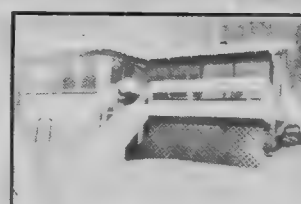


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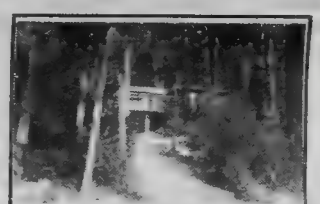


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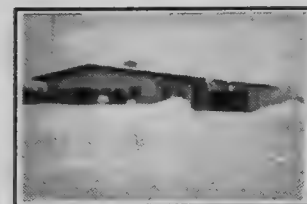
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March 1 on the Disability Network

Television program will feature two Minden residents

by Andrew Milne

What you can't do. What you can.

For George Farrell these two facts of life are things worth studying.

Farrell, co-producer for *The Disability Network*, was in Minden recently filming an interview with Larry Hodgson.

The show, he says, is by people with disabilities, and about people with disabilities. But more often than not, he says, the show winds up talking more about what people can do, and have done, than what they can't.

Hodgson, subject of a program to be aired early next month, is one of many.

He can't walk. But he can do — and has done, many things including planning and public relations

hard in a rural area... The other half of the program will feature Minden resident Rob Young, who ran the local messaging service until recently. Since his mother passed away, he hasn't been able to continue the business and it has closed. That wouldn't happen in the city. He'd have received homecare, and could have carried on.

On the other hand, Hodgson has had better luck, and is now very involved locally in a number of committees and organizations. He and his family live in a house adjacent to Archie Stouffer Elementary School...by design. The proximity to the school makes it much easier for the children and their parents.

"It took some planning," says Hodgson, "We bought a cottage up here. When I came up to the

Producer George Farrell, left, talks with Larry Hodgson, during filming at Hodgson's home: abilities versus disabilities.



for the City of Toronto. He has spearheaded accessibility projects for that same city, been one of the driving forces behind the Minden and area development committee, is raising two children, and otherwise gets an awful lot done that people with two good legs couldn't get around to doing.

"We like to talk about their abilities," Farrell commented. "The things they do in spite of — or even because of — their disability... That's often a very interesting thing to look at... We like to show how active a lifestyle some of these people lead, how they can work in the community."

The interview with Larry Hodgson will be part of a program on rural aspects of disability issues.

"It can make a big difference, being in the city, being in a rural area like this one, and it can be very

cottage it would almost rehabilitate me — my breathing would clear, just getting away from the air pollution and the day to day stress. So when we finally had to make a decision about where we would go, the first thing we thought of was the place that seemed to do me the most good, and that was the cottage... But then you're down at the end of a cottage road, you've got two children going to school, and that's really our main focus now, the children, their schooling. So we very consciously thought of that in picking a lot so close to the school."

"I have to say," says Hodgson, "that Minden really has lived up to what I expected of it. It's a great place to live."

The show will air Saturday, March 1, on CBC TV, (channels 8 or 16) at 1:30 p.m.



George Farrell watches as cameraman Phil Pendry captures some footage of the Hodgson family at home: from the right, Larry, his wife Cathy, sons David, and Madison and the family pet.

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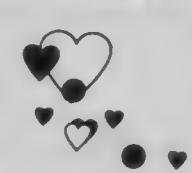
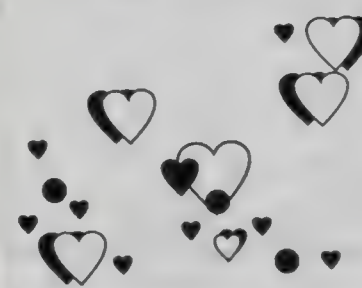
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Haliburton County experiences a Shower of Sweetheart Roses

Valentine's Day was made extra special when 13 Sweethearts received surprise bouquets of a dozen Sweetheart Roses...all winners in The Times "Be My Sweetheart" Contest.

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Councillor wants police presence

(from page 2)

"Police presence is imperative," Daniels said. "It discourages crime and acts as a deterrent. Patrols are preventing break-ins."

Millar said that police presence, in the form of regular patrols, would continue.

Local police officers work 12-hour shifts. Millar said that the officers seem to prefer this arrangement. He also noted that the amount of overtime has been reduced by 25 per cent. Millar said he keeps reminding his superior that he needs more officers.

Barker also raised the concern about snowmobiles travelling on sidewalks, especially in Minden. She said that it is only a matter of time before a child is injured. Millar responded by saying that Haliburton County is second only to the Sudbury area for the amount of snowmobile traffic. He noted that two officers are assigned to snowmobile patrol and they are doing what they can to patrol as much area as they can with the resources available.

The question of a full-time OPP office in Haliburton County was raised. Millar said that, to his knowledge, the current building in Minden is not going to be the future home of the OPP. He did state that police officials are still entertaining the possibility of moving in with the Ministry of Natural Resources staff in the Ministry-owned building in Minden.

"There is the political will to keep a detachment in Haliburton County," Millar said. "They are still researching the options."

Harrison said she has the impression that the OPP will be operating from more satellite offices rather than fewer. Millar pointed out that Minden lost only its clerical staff and that the Minden and Coboconk areas have just one staff sergeant who is responsible for both

areas.

"You've only lost a place where you could go in and meet with a clerical person," Millar said.

Millar pointed out that officers are using the computers in the satellite offices as much as possible to do their paper work. He added that he doesn't like to see officers at headquarters when they should be on patrol.

Community policing groups are proving effective in helping to keep communications open between the community and the police, Millar said. "Community policing is working very well."

The Neighbourhood Watch Program, it was pointed out, is another effective way of helping to prevent crime, especially break-ins.

Councillor Jim Hicks asked Millar if there would be any advantage to having a community policing satellite office in Stanhope.

Millar said that if there was an office in Stanhope it certainly would be used. But he cautioned that it may not get the kind of use to justify the cost of operating an office and installing the computer equipment that would be necessary.

Millar said that he would be back some time this coming summer to update Stanhope council. Harrison thanked Millar for his input.



Legion poetry and poster winners

JUNIORS: Archie Stouffer Elementary School students who won Royal Canadian Legion junior poetry and poster contests include, front row (l to r): Meghan Shaw, Maddie Mackenzie, Shannon Carr, Sarah Roome and Ryan Clarke. Minden Legion first vice-president Francine Newton (right) presented the prizes. Back row (l to r): Janet Shim, Eleanor Bathe, Noelle Johnson, Brady Clark and Dennis Cox.

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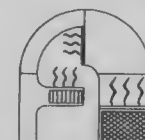


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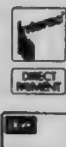
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ASES school council report

by Skip Ray

On Thursday February 13, Archie Stouffer Elementary School Council held a special forum with Victoria-Haliburton MPP, Chris Hodgson and representatives from seven of the eight other schools in Haliburton County. Reporter Andrew Milne was in attendance. Look for his report on the meeting elsewhere in this edition of *The Times*.

The Breakfast Club has served approximately 75 students this past week. Additional thanks is extended to the Mill Pond Restaurant, Mrs. Rolf, Mrs. Schollig and Gary Kenney for their much appreciated contribution to this worthy endeavour.

Individuals from three union groups representing school staff, Lynn Raback (CUPE) David Kennedy (OPSTF) and Chris Lynd (FWTAA) attended our last meeting to share their concerns on the future of education. Our next meeting will be held on March 5, 5:30 p.m., at the school. Everyone is welcome.

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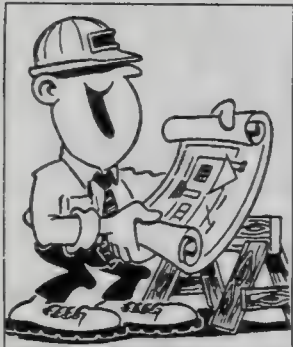
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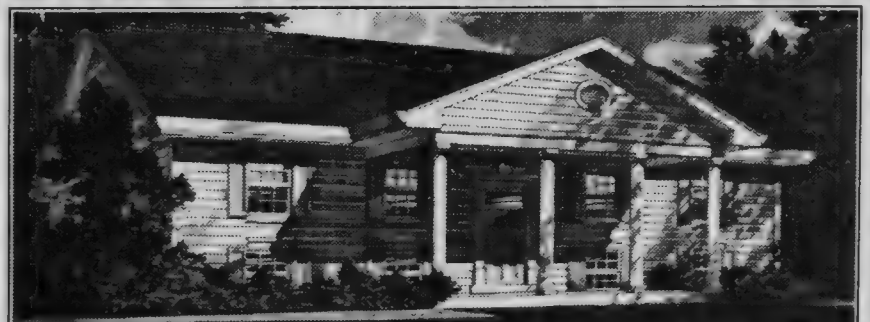
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Volunteering: the rewards are many

Thinking of volunteering?

Well there are a lot of good reasons to share your talents and time with the many organizations in the county. A volunteer who spends time with residents at Hyland Crest wrote the following about her experiences there. She asked that we not identify her.

I am very fortunate to have some wonderful friends in Minden. They help me to see life very differently. Even though I lead a very busy life, when I miss a week without a visit with them, I miss each one of them. They tell me wonderful stories about early days in Ontario. One reaches out to me as I pass. One plays the piano for me. Several smile and hold my hand. Sometimes I can take them out to lunch or bring in some special little thing I know they enjoy.

My friends are sometimes your parents or grandparents and they live at Hyland Crest.

Someday you and I will die and so will all my friends. Until I take my last breath and let God take over from here, I hope people will treat me as a person with interests, likes, desires and hopes. It takes a few extra moments to find out what these people are interested in, but I can assure you, it is worth the

effort. Perhaps you would like to adopt a friend or two of mine. Be their guest at a tea party. Share with them the things you like. Whatever your interests, there is bound to be a senior you can share with. You can read to many of them, just walk with them and talk with them. For a little while share your walk along life's pathway with one of these elderly people. There is someone here for every one of you who cares to volunteer.

Sometimes we read articles in the media about staff and budget cuts, or proposed changes or layoffs and we tend to fall back and say I don't want to get involved. I understand that. I've been there, but I've made some great friends and we don't let our friends down. They have little else to look forward to and you soon become special to them.

If you can visit any of these people, please call Linda Fry at Hyland Crest and talk to her about your interests. If you like to bake, play cards, go shopping, read books, go for a walk, eat, pop popcorn, do crafts, sing songs, tell stories, travel, movies or anything else, call Linda and share with one or several of my friends. The residents of Hyland Crest are all members of the Minden community. Please share your life with them.



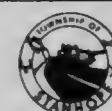
Haliburton County Search & Rescue is now accepting applications for new membership. These may be obtained by attending the meeting February 18, at 7:00pm, Sir Sandford Fleming College. For more info please call Jim, 754-2127 or Jackie, 754-2478

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Sealed tenders made "Board House" will be accepted until 12:00 noon on Wednesday, March 5, 1997 and should be forwarded to:

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The Kinmount and area Medical Building fund received a \$500 boost recently. The donation came from the Burnt River Bingo Association. Sue Douglas and Tony Riviat, centre, presented the donation to association representative Ted Wilkes. The money will be used to renovate the lower floor of the Somerville municipal office in Kinmount to accommodate a medical clinic.



Mouth-watering pancakes served

First, we would like to wish a belated birthday greeting to Marjorie Schuyler who celebrated 98 years on February 11. Marjorie, who is very proud of her age, resided in Toronto for many years with her husband, who was a lawyer. They owned property at Horseshoe lake, including an island. Eventually, they used the property to develop the Blairhampton Golf Course which they owned and operated for many years.

Thank you to Northern Jam for entertaining us on February 7 during our Happy Hour. Because February 11 was Shrove Tuesday, there were pancakes everywhere. A few of us enjoyed some specially made ones with toppings such as strawberries, blueberries, pineapple, chocolate chips, etc. Is your mouth watering? Ours was!

Welcome aboard Ina Ecclestone, a new resident from Huntsville. Sorry to hear that Isobel Craig is in Ross Memorial Hospital in Lindsay. We hope she is feeling better soon. There are still a few of us who continue to suffer colds.

We are pleased to say that some of our promised new furniture has started to arrive.

On February 12 we were entertained by the Grandfathers and the next day enjoyed a lovely tea thanks to the folks from the Allsaw Pentecostal Church.

We are happy to announce that our piano problem has been solved. Thanks to all of you who expressed an interest in helping us out.

That seems to be all the news for now.... so we will sign off until next week.

Senior League

Attention Anglers

Fish Stocking

The Ministry of Natural Resources, Minden Area Office, is coordinating the proposal to stock four lakes in the Bancroft Administrative District for 1997.

The waterbodies and fish species involved in this proposal are:

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You are invited to direct any inquiries or concerns regarding this proposal to **Dana Kinsman, Area Biologist** (see address below) by **March 31, 1997**.

There is an opportunity at any time for interested persons to make a request to the ministry's Minden Area Office for an individual environmental assessment, under the *Environmental Assessment Act*.

For further information, please contact:

Dana Kinsman, Area Biologist
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THE PROPOSED BY-LAW will come before the said Council for consideration at its Regular Meeting at the Municipal Office, located three miles south of Minden on Highway #35, on the 27th day of February, 1997, at the hour of 7:00 p.m. and at that time, the Council will hear in person or by his or her counsel, solicitor or agent any person who claims that his or her land will be prejudicially affected and who applies to be heard.

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Acid rain report

The following report on acid precipitation was recorded at the Ministry of Environment and Energy site at Dorset.

This report covers the period November 1996 to January 31:

- November 1: 7.4 mm of snow with a pH of 4.96
- November 4: 3.4 mm of Rain with a pH of 4.43
- November 5: 3.6 mm of rain with a pH of 4.54
- November 6: 6.0 mm of rain with a pH of 3.85
- November 7: 35.8 mm of rain with a pH of 4.19
- November 10: 2.6 mm of snow with a pH of 4.53
- November 17: 7.6 mm of rain with a pH of 4.22
- November 23: 6.5 mm of snow with a pH of 4.63
- November 30: 4.8 mm of rain with a pH of 4.06
- December 1: 7.8 mm of rain with a pH of 4.44
- December 3: 2.2 mm of snow with a pH of 4.22
- December 5: 2.6 mm of snow with a pH of 4.19
- December 6: 6.0 mm of snow with a pH of 4.07
- December 9: 2.6 mm of snow with a pH of 4.61
- December 12: 12.4 mm of rain with a pH of 4.14
- December 15: 3.4 mm of mixed rain and snow with a pH of 4.20
- December 16: 8.2 mm of mixed rain and snow with a pH of 4.57
- December 17: 10.2 mm of mixed rain and snow with a pH of 4.63
- December 18: 3.8 mm of snow with a pH of 4.29
- December 22: 2.7 mm of snow with a pH of 4.02
- December 23: 14.0 mm of mixed rain and snow with a pH of 4.29
- December 26: 2.6 mm of snow with a pH of 4.88
- December 27: 3.0 mm of mixed rain and snow with a pH of 3.96
- December 29: 2.3 mm of snow with a pH of 4.30
- December 30: 7.6 mm of snow with a pH of 5.11
- January 2: 3.0 mm of mixed rain and snow with a pH of 4.11
- January 4: 34.6 mm of rain with a pH of 4.28
- January 5: 8.5 mm of mixed rain and snow with a pH of 4.55
- January 9: 11.2 mm of snow with a pH of 4.14
- January 10: 6.4 mm of snow with a pH of 4.46
- January 15: 20.0 mm of snow with a pH of 4.40
- January 16: 3.4 mm of snow with a pH of 4.45
- January 19: 3.2 mm of snow with a pH of 3.96
- January 21: 10 mm of rain with a pH of 4.23

Environmental damage to lakes and streams is usually observed in sensitive areas regularly receiving precipitation with pH readings of less than 4.7. pH readings less than 4.0 are considered serious.



HALIBURTON COUNTY HOME SUPPORT SERVICES

sends their sincere appreciation to the following Townships/Municipalities for placing information regarding our Meals on Wheels service in their tax bills: Anson, Hindon, Minden; Bicroft; Cardiff (2nd tax bill); Galway/Cavendish; Glamorgan; Lutterworth; Monmouth; Snowdon; Stanhope; Sherbourne et al.

Our sincere "Thank You" to the following Townships/Municipalities who in 1996 provided financial support to our agency: Dysart et al, \$6,000.; Anson, Hindon and Minden, \$1,500.; Stanhope, \$1,000. and Cardiff, \$500.

Thank you to all who gave donations, including memorial, (we give tax-deductible receipts), to all who participated in our fund-raising endeavours.

Thanks to all who gave of themselves through time, energy and special care to our clients.

Your support is greatly appreciated!!

Around the County Town

by Gord Graham (call 286-6506-- FAX 286-3460)

The Minden Women's Institute is inviting all interested women to join in the special 100th year celebration of the Federated Women's Institute of Ontario to be held at Staunworth Terrace, 44 Parkside (near the arena in Minden) on Wednesday, February 19 starting at 2:00 p.m. They would love to see you there.

The New Beginnings Bereavement Group will be meeting on Thursday, February 20 for a social lunch at 12 noon in the Village Chalet Restaurant, Main St., Minden. Everyone is welcome. For more information, call Doreen Spencley at 286-1759.

You have all heard by now of the tragic fire that bereft Mike and Jacquie Miscio and their two year old daughter Juanita, of their home and personal belongings. If you would like to help and can spare anything at all in the way of clothing and furniture please call Mike's sister, Waneita Colman, at 489-3896. Cash donations are urgent too and an account has been set up at the Minden branch of CIBC for your convenience.

The Haliburton Legion 50+ Club is holding a dinner and dance on Thursday, February 20 starting at 4:30 p.m. Auction to follow dinner. You don't have to be a Legion member. If interested, please call 286-3247 for prices and other information.

We are so glad that Ed Pettinger is back home...and it's about time too. Ed was rushed to the hospital on January 27th for a hernia operation. It happened so fast that poor Ed didn't have time to let Peg or his friends know what was happening. Anyway, Ed's in good spirits now and is hankering for some friendly calls.

The Minden County Town Museum committee is holding its next meeting on Tuesday, February 25 at 10:00 a.m. in the Common room of the Agnes Jamieson Art Gallery.

The Drama Club at HHSS and the Highlands Little Theatre will jointly present, on April 11, 12, 13, 18 and 19, the musical, Anne of Green Gables. All seats are reserved for the performances

which will be held in the Haliburton Highlands Secondary School auditorium. Tickets are available from The Storeroom Natural Foods in Minden and from Paulette's in Haliburton beginning February 19. For further information call Joel Levis at 457-2241 or Wayne Cooper at 457-2950.

The Ridgewood School Advisory Council's (SAC) next monthly meeting is on Tuesday, February 25 at 7:00 p.m. in the Ridgewood school in Cobocok. Parents and community representatives are welcome. For further information call 454-9861 or 454-3351.

I received a note last week from a Tracy Marsh of Thornbury and Peter Watts of Oshawa. They are looking for information on a W. Watts and Sons boatbuilders who worked out of Collingwood from the late 1850's to the end of World War Two. According to the note they were prolific boat builders and their craft were seen all over the Great Lakes and beyond. They are trying to locate anyone who has one of these boats, photographs, memories or stories about Watts-built vessels to get in touch with them. Tracy Marsh can be reached at (705) 445-4811 during the day and (519) 599-3819 in the evening and weekends. Peter Watts can be reached at (905) 723-1703.

The Alzheimer Society of Peterborough and Area is holding an Easter Fair, featuring the Kawartha Cake Designers, on Saturday, March 22 from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m. in the St. Andrew's Church Hall, Rubidge and Brock St., Peterborough. This is a must great family fun day.

The Ladies Auxillary, Branch 636, had another successful Big Buck Euchre on February 9. The \$100 first prize went to Pearl Cowen, second prize to Ida Young and third to Jean Scadden. Bill Mitchell and Anne McCreight tied for fourth and fifth prizes while Marg McAfee won the prize for most lone hands. The winner of the ISO-Thermal Jug was Helen Skelding. The next Big Buck Euchre will be held on Sunday, March 9.

St. Paul's Friendship Club holds euchre parties every Monday at 1:30 p.m. and last week the winners were Katie Parker-lone hands; Gladys Wruth and Verna McDonald-high score; Norm Lee-50/50 draw; "Baroness" Irene Fuhr-low hand. All are most welcome to attend.

Club 35 has been absent from our column for the past two weeks so it is good to see them back. On February 3 Cliff Woolner won the 50/50 draw and the most lone hands, May Bradbury and Garth Windsor won the high scores, Verna Dredge, Jim Bradbury and Grace Cowan the low scores. On February 10, Bill Cowen won the 50/50 draw, Verna Sawyer most lone hands, Olive Jones and Garth Windsor the high scores, Helen Windsor, Murray Daniels and Bill Jordan the low scores. Everyone is welcome to join in the euchre games every Monday at 7:30 p.m. No partners needed.

The 3 winners of contract bridge played in the Stanhope Library last week were Ross Fletcher, Helen Rice and third June Branning. One small slam was bid and made by Ross and Helen. A friendly open invitation is out to anyone wishing to join them Tuesdays at 1:00 p.m. No partners needed.

Seniors bid euchre played in the Minden Legion last Tuesday at 1:30 p.m. provided these winners: first

Walter Ackerblade, second Pat Roussel, third Marie Dennie. Moonshots by Marg McAfee, who had 2, Marg Coulter and Jean Scadden. Hidden score by Kay Smith.

The Lochlin Community Centre hosted a euchre game last Tuesday and Earl Schellenberg and Rheta Crofts had the high scores while Ralph Schroter and Joyce Schellenberg the low scores. Merv Gilbert had the most lone hands. Meet this week in Gelert and February 25 in Lochlin again and always on a Tuesday at 7:30 p.m.

Results of the bid euchre games played last week in the Stanhope Firefighters Hall were Ken Young-315, Pat Roussel-273, Jim Cowan-263, Jean Scadden-249, Pat Scadden-243, Ruth Kellett-223. One moonshot was created. Plan to join them every Wednesday at 7:00 p.m.

HEALTH NEWS

Following up on osteoporosis from last week, there is a possible theory that when excess protein is consumed it robs the bones of calcium hence more susceptibility to osteoporosis. This is yet to be proven but the fact remains however that excess protein does cause the body to give off calcium in the waste. If calcium supplements aren't your thing then include milk, salmon (with bones), broccoli, kale, sardines, legumes in your regular diet.

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Membership in the Corporation entitles an individual to vote at any meeting of the Corporation, but the fee must be paid at least ninety (90) days prior to the date of the meeting. Therefore, to be eligible to vote at the Annual Meeting, membership must be obtained by March 28, 1997.

Members of the Corporation are also entitled to nominate Directors for election to the Board by submitting in writing a nomination which must be received by the Secretary of the Board at least thirty days before the date of the Annual Meeting.

The fee may be paid and a membership card obtained at the Haliburton or Minden Hospitals during regular business hours, or by contacting the Haliburton Highlands Health Services at 12 Newcastle Street, P.O. Box 569, Minden, Ontario. K0M 2K0 or 705-286-4997 telephone and 705-286-4819 facsimile.



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A belated thank you to Dr. Wu, Dr. Anthony, the nurses and ambulance attendants for their kindness and help. Also to Oswald and Maxine Snell for all their help and goodies, to Irma Walker for her goodies, although she had troubles also, to Arnie and Eddy for their goodies and help and to Home Care, now that I'm recovering. For all the cards, letters and phone calls from Timmins, Brampton, Thornhill, Haliburton and Minden, North Carolina, Colorado and Ottawa, thank you all. The people of Minden have been so kind to stop Earl to ask how I was doing, I thank you all. As for Earl, I don't know how I would have done without him for his caring and patience. Thanks to all.
Emma Hewitt.

The family of the late Mary Stata wish to thank everyone for their love and support in the recent loss of a very dear wife, mother, grandmother and sister. Special thanks to Pastor Dave Barker for his prayers and funeral service, also the ladies of the Kimmount Baptist Church for the lovely lunch. Last, but not least, thank you to Gordon Monk and staff for their kindness and efficient handling of the funeral and to everyone else for the flowers, cards, food, prayers, donations and phone calls.

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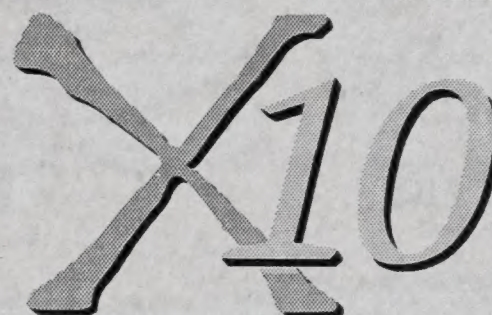
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